

## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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## **Halloween Safety for Pets**

One of the most frightening aspects of Halloween, for pet owners, is the increase in possibility for accidents or injuries. To avoid accidents and ensure your pet remains safe this Halloween, follow the safety tips below.

- Have a secure spot inside the home where your pet can stay on Halloween night.
- Keep decorations out of the reach of pets.
- Keep candy in a well-sealed container and in a location where your pet cannot access the candy. Also ensure used wrappers are discarded properly.
- If you dress your pet for Halloween, make sure the costume has sufficient room and is constructed of reflective and fire retardant materials. A costume that is too tight could cut off circulation or choke your pet.
- When walking your pet outside, look on the ground for dropped candy to prevent accidental consumption.
- Carry a flashlight and make yourself as visible as possible.
- Never cross the street in front of a parked vehicle and try to cross at street corners only.

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